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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I am an average home consumer of Microsoft products, and I do not believe that I have been victimized by Microsoft in any way. I like Microsoft products and they have only been a positive and useful tool for me and my computing needs. I have found Microsoft to be very innovative and progressive in the last decade. They have been at the leading edge of technology and bringing this technology to consumers at very reasonable prices. Furthermore, I feel that I have the ability to choose what software I like and companies are always willing to listen to their customers. I feel that this antitrust case is completely bogus. It has been propagated by Microsoft competitors and power-hungry politicians.

Microsoft has been unfairly and wrongly taken over by the government at the request of its competitors. The antitrust case and in fact the antitrust laws in general are statist and immoral. Microsoft has a right to its property, which the government should not be able to take away at its whim. Microsoft has become the leader in the software industry through superior products and fair capitalism. This case has put our country on a dangerous course of more government control over our economy and our individual lives. The shareholders of Microsoft have a right to their company and antitrust is nothing short of theft.

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